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RAMASWAMY OPEN TO JOINING TRUMP AS HIS RUNNING MATE IN U.S. PREZ POLL

The Indian-American said he will consider running on a joint ticket with Donald Trump if he fails to win the Republican nomination

BUT FOCUS IS ON WINNING THE TOP POST

Ramaswamy, who emerged as the winner of the first Republican primary debate held in Milwaukee earlier this week, said his focus was on becoming the president. He said he can reunite America only if he gets the top job. However, when asked if he would be happy to be Trump's vice president, he said, "See, this isn't about me. If this were about me, sure. That's a fine position for someone to have at my age"

TRUMP'S PRAISE SPARKS SPECULATIONS

- Rumours of a joint ticket between the two emerged after Trump praised Ramaswamy's debate performance. Notably, Ramaswamy had refrained from criticising Trump during Wednesday's event hosted by Fox News
- Ramaswamy's views are similar to Trump's and he has named his political plan 'America First 2.0' after the former president's 'America First' slogan

38-yr-old

RAMASWAMY WILL BE THE YOUNGEST U.S. PRESIDENT IF HE WINS 2024 ELECTION

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The Sunday Magazine cover story, 'Prescribe or Perish' (August 27 edition), went to press before the National Medical Commission put on hold the guidelines mandating doctors to only prescribe generic drugs. The concerns raised in the piece, however, remain relevant until the issue of medical ethics is resolved in the interests of patients.

Moon landing site to be named Shiv Shakti: PM

Chandrayaan 2 lander's crash site will be called 'Tiranga Point'; Aug 23 to be 'National Space Day'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday announced that the Chandrayaan 3 landing site near Moon's south pole would be named 'Shiv Shakti Point', while the site where Chandrayaan 2 lander crashed in September 2019 will be named 'Tiranga Point'.

The PM also announced that the historic day of August 23 when ISRO scientists achieved the successful soft-landing near the lunar south pole for the first time in world history will be celebrated as 'National Space Day' every year to celebrate the spirit of science, technology and innovation, and inspire the present and future generations of Indians to develop a scientific temper.

Modi made these announcements during his address to ISRO scientists at the Mission Operations Complex (MOX) of ISRO's Telemetry, Tracking and Command Network Centre (ISTRAC) in Bengaluru to personally congratulate them and celebrate their success. He arrived in Bengaluru early Saturday directly from Athens after attending the BRICS Summit in Johannesburg.

"India has decided to name the site where our Chandrayaan 3 lander Vikram has landed. It will be known as 'Shiv Shakti Point'," he said. "In Shiv, there is resolution for the welfare of humanity. Shakti is strength to fulfil those resolutions," he said while justifying the name with its sense of connection with the Himalayas to Kanyakumari.

The PM explained that the site where Chandrayaan 2's lander had crashed would be named "Tiranga Point" to serve as an inspiration and a reminder that failure is never the end. P7

Prime Minister Narendra Modi with ISRO Chairman S Somanath at ISRO Telemetry Tracking and Command Network Centre (ISTRAC) in Bengaluru on Saturday | PTI

Modi tells Guv, CM not to receive him

Bengaluru: Prime Minister Narendra Modi set a precedent by asking the governor, chief minister and deputy chief minister not to receive him at HAL airport when he arrived there straight from Greece to greet ISRO scientists. "Since I had to come from a far away place, the arrival time was not confirmed. So, I requested the honourable CM, DyCM and governor not to take trouble (to receive him) at such an early hour. Next time when I come on an official visit, the CM and DyCM protocol will be maintained," the PM said at HAL airport. P7

9 from UP killed in fire on tourist coach in Madurai

VIGNESH V @ Madurai

NINE pilgrims, including four women, from Uttar Pradesh were killed in a fire that broke out in a IRCTC tourist coach at Madurai railway yard near the Madurai Railway Junction at 5.15am on Saturday.

The coach with 64 passengers had reached Madurai around 3am on Saturday. A preliminary investigation suggested the fire had broken out while some passengers were making tea in the coach using a gas cylinder illegally on board. As the fire spread in the coach, the passengers, most of whom were asleep, struggled to escape as the doors had been padlocked. Madurai Collector MS Sangeetha said the passengers had padlocked the doors for safety reasons. By the time the lock on one of the doors could be broken, nine people had died. While eight others sustained minor injuries, the remaining passengers are safe.

Survivors said the tourist coach started its journey from Lucknow on August 17.

Fire personnel fighting the fire that broke out on an IRCTC tourist coach from Lucknow at Madurai on Saturday morning | EXPRESS

After slap video, FIR lodged against UP teacher

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

FOLLOWING outrage over an Uttar Pradesh schoolteacher asking students to slap their classmate, an 8-year-old Muslim boy, for allegedly not learning a maths table, an FIR was lodged against Trapti Tyagi on Saturday. The video of the teacher instigating students went viral on social media on Friday.

The charges framed against her were under IPC sections 323 (voluntarily causing hurt) and 504 (intentional insult), both non-cognisable offences. They are bailable and do not result in immediate arrest. The FIR was filed based on a complaint by the boy's parents.

"The video has been circulating since Friday evening and a probe was conducted. It was found that the video was filmed by the boy's uncle. The complaint was registered on Saturday morning. The Child Welfare Committee is counselling the boy," Muzaffarnagar District Magistrate Arvind Mallappa said, adding action will be taken against her. In the video, Tyagi is seen asking Class 2 students of a private school to hit the child. She can also be heard saying: "These Muslim children... Why don't you all slap him with full force?" The clip shows students queuing up to hit their crying classmate.

NCPCR chairperson Priyank Kanoongo said instructions are being issued for action. He urged people not to reveal the identity of the boy by sharing the video.

Tyagi, however, said the video had been tampered with in order to stoke tension.

Cycle thief held 38 yrs after jumping bail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolar

A man, who was absconding after he was let out on bail in a bicycle theft case 38 years ago, was arrested at Kolar Gold Fields (KGF) on Friday.

The accused has been identified as Pasha Jan, a resident of Andersonpet in KGF. Pasha is now 62. He was produced before a local court where the judge remanded him in judicial custody.

KGF Superintendent of Police KM Shantharaju told TNSE that Pasha was arrested in 1985 based on a complaint by John, a resident of ST Block in KGF, that his bicycle worth Rs 250 was stolen from Andersonpet.

After a thorough investigation, Andersonpet police arrested Pasha. However, Pasha managed to get a bail. Though a chargesheet was filed against him, Pasha did not appear before the local court. Accordingly, the judge issued a non-bailable warrant against Pasha in 1985. Since then, he has been absconding, he said.

> To confirm his (Pasha Jan) identity, his fingerprints were sent to experts. His fingerprints matched with those taken when he was arrested in 1985
>
> KM Shantharaju, KGF SP

The SP said that during his last meeting with police officers of KGF, he had instructed them to execute the pending arrest warrants and to trace those absconding in long-pending cases (LPR). Accordingly, Pasha was arrested. To confirm his identity, his fingerprints were sent to experts. His fingerprints matched with those taken when he was arrested in 1985. After getting confirmation, Pasha was arrested, he added.

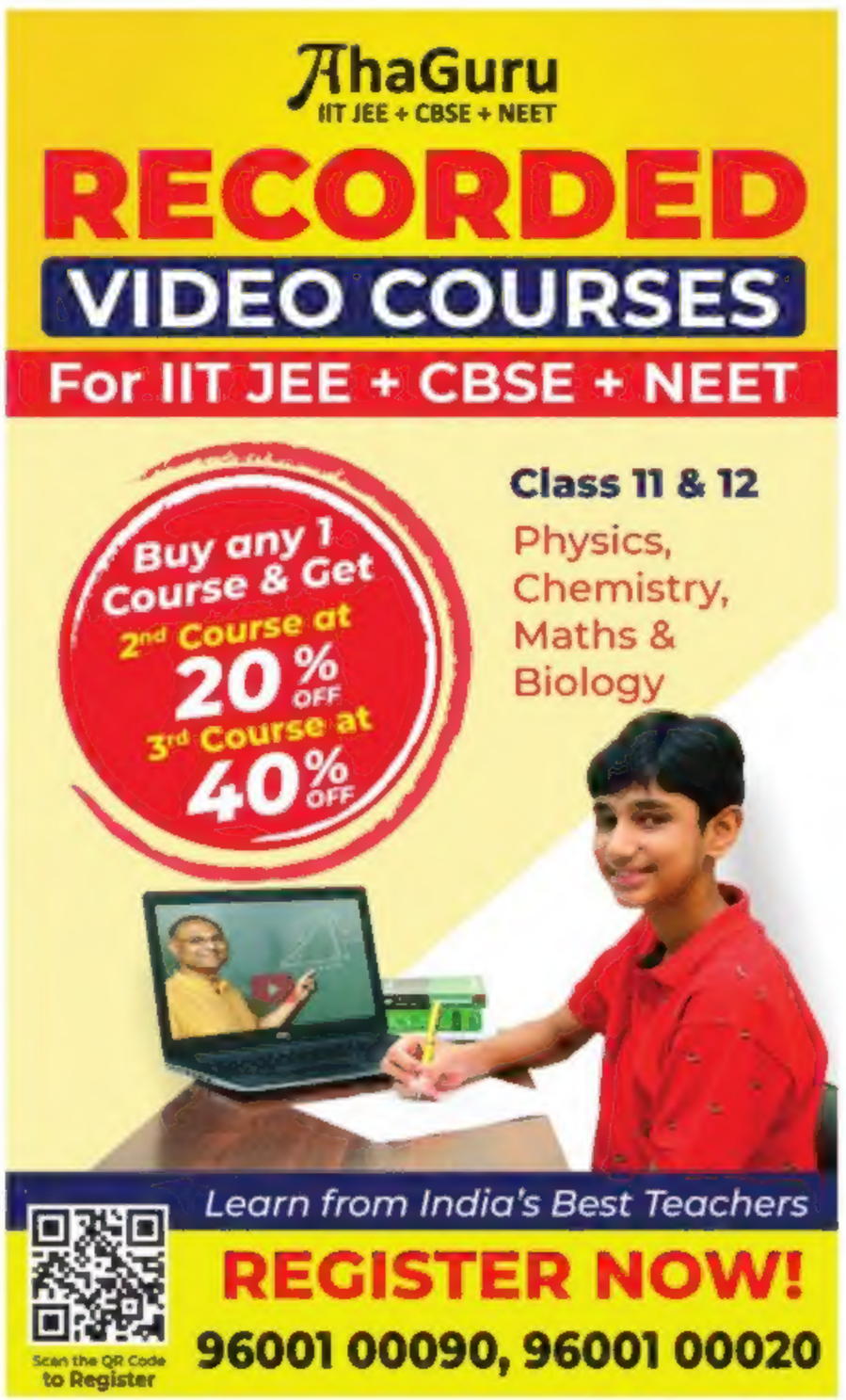
EXPRESS READ

CJI bats for inclusivity in legal profession

Bengaluru: Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud on Saturday advocated gender sensitisation and inclusivity in legal profession. At the annual convocation of the National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, he said, "As lawyers, we are aware of injustices. Our duty to uphold constitutional values is higher than that of other citizens." | P2

20% export duty on parboiled rice

New Delhi: The government has imposed a 20% duty on the export of parboiled rice, a move aimed at maintaining adequate local stock and keep domestic prices under check. The export duty, imposed on August 25, will remain effective till October 16, the Finance Ministry said. | P9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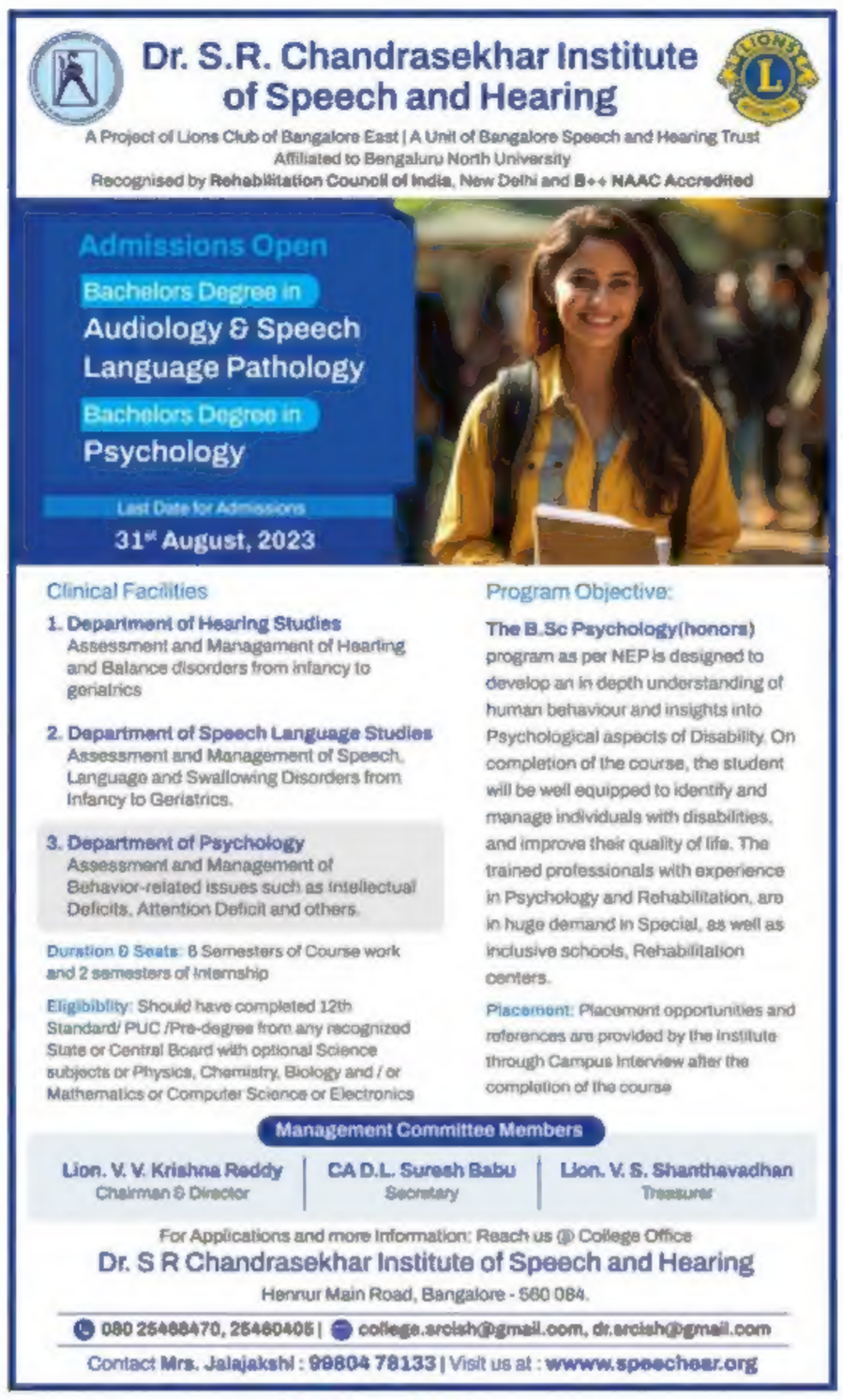
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